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2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR FEB/MAR/APR

William D. Cannon Art Gallery

Don't miss out on Three-Part-Art!

Our Three-Part-Art gallery education program will connect to one more upcoming exhibition in the 2011-12 school year. Mark your calendars! You won't want to miss out.

Joe Brubaker: The Exquisite Garden

April 1 through June 24, 2012

Bay area artist Joe Brubaker, along with a group of visiting artists and designers, will collaborate with local art students and artists to transform the gallery into an installation piece called "The Exquisite Garden." These artists and designers will utilize a collection of found objects, discarded materials, and scrap metal to transform the gallery into a sculptural garden referencing an old parlor game developed by the Surrealists called the "Exquisite Corpse" where a single work is produced by multiple artists. Surrounding the garden will be figurative sculptures by Joe Brubaker.

Family Open Studios

Saturday, May 19, free
Carlsbad City Library complex,
1775 Dove Lane in Carlsbad, 92011
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Family Open Studios are hands-on art-making events designed for all ages. They're great fun, they're educational and they're free. And they're sure not a secret anymore as lots of families and friends come out for each new program – but it just means more fun for everyone.

Here's how they work. First, you'll tour the exhibition on display at the William D. Cannon Art Gallery. That's just a warm-up to get you inspired. Then, you'll work with our terrific artist educators and talented volunteers on a specifically-designed art project related to the exhibition. Finally, you get to take your completed work of art home to enjoy.

We provide all the materials and the workspace, you provide the creativity. No reservations required and you can stay as long as you like.



What's going on...

CARLSBAD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Carlsbad High School (CHS)

Early January was a big moment for CHS and we are proud to be Lancers! The new classrooms were finally unveiled to students and the public, turning a vision into a reality. The state of the art classrooms have tools conducive to learning, not to mention larger spaces for instruction and performing, and two new kilns. With this blank canvas teachers and students are working on ideas for large scale murals, both inside and out of the classroom. The Drawing, Painting and AP classes are currently working on an ocean themed painting. They are also submitting work to the Carlsbad Women's Club National Contest. The Art 2 students will be creating a large tile mural, made possible by a charitable grant from ArtSplash. Both pieces will be completed by June 2012.

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The visual arts students will have a variety of projects on display for the CHS Spring Art Show, which will be exhibited in the Cultural Arts Center (CAC) during the spring musical and run through the end of May. The show is free to the public and viewable during school hours.

The Lancer Dancers were the 2011 National Champions at last year's competition and they hope to hold that title at the Nationals in Florida, happening from February 2 through 6, 2012. The Advanced Mixed Show Choir kicks off the extensive spring competition schedule for the Chamber Singers, Encore, and Sound Express, on February 3 at Diamond Bar at Citrus College. This is the first of many performances that CHS students will participate in this year. Also, don't forget to mark your calendars for Night with the Stars, March 2 and 3, featuring the Chamber Singers and Sound Express and the Pops Concert, May 31, June 1 and 2. Both concerts will be presented in the Cultural Arts Center and tickets are \$10. For more information, please visit www.chschoral.com.

The CHS Theatre students had a great Winter Season with performances of "James and The Giant Peach" by the

9th grade Intermediate Theatre students at Aviara Oaks, Buena Vista, Hope and Magnolia Elementary schools. In January, the Pre-advanced Theatre students performed three one act plays by Thornton Wilder on January 17, and the Advanced Theatre students presented James Reach's dramatic play DAVID AND LISA on January 20 and 21. Spring will bring Shakespeare, as the Advanced Theatre and Tech Theatre students compete in the Drama Teachers Association of Southern California Shakespeare Festival in Los Angeles on April 21, and the Pre-advanced Theatre students prepare for the San Diego Shakespeare Society Festival in Balboa Park on April 28. The talented actors, singers, dancers, technicians and musicians of Carlsbad High School will join together to present the musical *The Phantom Of The Opera* on May 4, 5, 10, 11 at 7 p.m. and May 12 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. The City of Carlsbad Cultural Arts Office generously awarded the musical one of their Arts Education Grants to provide the guest choreographer.

We would like to congratulate Christopher Melnychuk, Ashley Wang, Sally Cho, and Allyson Choi. They have been selected into the Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association High School Honors

Group. On January 27 through 29 they were at the University of Redlands for a weekend full of music with some of the finest musicians in the area. Ashley Wang has also been selected by the California Band Directors Association in the 2012 All-State Honor Band. On February 18 and 19 she will be at the Saroyan Theater in Fresno for an All-State Honor Band performance.

Jefferson Elementary School

Jefferson's new music teacher, Amber Gustafson, has been enjoying working with all students at the school and looks forward to a new year filled with music making. She will be reviving the school's choral tradition with an after school choir that began on January 23. Choir students consist of students in grades 3-5 and these participants will be singing music from diverse cultures, time periods and genres. The choir program will continue through May and culminate in a performance.

Marilyn Shepard, Jefferson's previous music teacher, continues to work with students at Jefferson by offering an after school drum circle class to 24 second graders. Mrs. Shepard is volunteering her time for the six session course. This very popular class will be starting on February 28 and will end with a small performance for parents.



Clockwise (from above) Jefferson choir students performing some of their favorite songs; Magnolia first graders working on watercolor paintings; Magnolia student making the perfect color selection for her watercolor painting; Magnolia students showing off their 3D mixed-media sculptures.

Magnolia Elementary School

Magnolia Elementary students are learning about a variety of art techniques and media this year with the guidance of their new art teacher Lisa Vaupel. Mrs. Vaupel has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, Teaching Credential and several years of experience teaching elementary art. The PTA funded art program is off to a great start introducing the students to the active mark making of Vincent Van Gogh, painting and collage work of Eric Carle, and the magic of blending oil pastels to create snowmen in a frosty scene. Magnolia families enthusiastically donated small plastic toys for their 3-dimensional sculpture projects. These were combined with purchased toys enabling each student to incorporate a selection of pieces into their compositions. Currently, students are working on watercolor paintings of aspen trees and learning about the balance of washes and details in their pieces. Future art projects will continue to include the elements of design through two and three dimensional forms of art. Magnolia is planning an Art Exhibit at the end of the year. One piece of art from each student will be showcased in this event.



Pacific Rim Elementary School

Visual Arts teacher Mrs. Dominique Babcock is working with the students, using a variety of mediums throughout their session with several special projects, including an amazing mural on the handball court and the fifth grade's graduation gift to the school of an original large-scale mosaic.

Mrs. Amy LaVea, the drama teacher, has been incredibly excited this year! Students in grades 1 through 4 have been given the opportunity to express themselves using mime, improvisation techniques and scripts. The students have had so much fun leaning about public speaking, voice and diction and of course playing pretend! Next session will be with kindergarten and fifth grades.

Both the Visual Arts and Drama classes are fully funded by the Friends of Pacific Rim Foundation's various fundraisers. All grades (K through 5) participate in these classes on a rotating two month schedule (assigned classes meet once a week for two months).

CARLSBAD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Carlsbad Arts Grants Support Enriching Site Programs

Carlsbad Unified School District (CUSD) has received a total of \$8,655 in 2012 arts education grants from the City of Carlsbad Cultural Arts Office. The grants fund seven enriching programs supporting both ongoing and new efforts.

Over the years, Carlsbad arts grants have funded a full palette of projects at CUSD elementary, middle and high schools. Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Devin Vodicka, Ed.D. recalls, "The Playwrights Project Write On! Program that took place when I was a Calavera Hills Elementary and Middle Principal which reached many students and inspired some to pursue a related career. In today's challenging economic times for our District, these grants are highly welcomed and greatly valued."

Grant recipients are: Carlsbad High School Band Boosters, \$1,200; Carlsbad High School Choral Boosters, \$1,200; Carlsbad High School Drama Club, \$1,200; Carlsbad High School Film Academy, \$1,200; Carlsbad High School Speech and Debate Team, \$1,200; Calavera Hills Elementary visual arts program, \$950; Jefferson Elementary after-school choir program; \$1,015; and Pacific Rim Elementary legacy mosaic, \$690.

Jefferson Music Teacher Amber Gustafson says, "Jefferson has had a wonderful choir program for 14 years. The 2012 arts grant allows us to continue this proud tradition. We're very grateful."



Bringing It Home to Carlsbad

Our Arts-in-Education Advisory Committee continues to be your advocate for keeping and improving arts in our Carlsbad schools. We meet on a regular basis, sharing information on advocacy, grant and program opportunities. Our community committee will continue to gather information and seek to assist in any way with these advocacy efforts. Everyone is welcome to attend! If you would like to be placed on our mailing list, please call 760-434-2901.

Special thanks to our January presenters: San Diego Symphony's Director of Education and Outreach Programs, **Adrienne Valencia** shared information about their current education programs and resources. We also heard from **Rachel Powell** from the Batiquitos Lagoon Nature Center who shared information about their upcoming summer event that will take place at the Carlsbad City Library complex in June.

Mark your calendar!

Upcoming Meeting:

Thursday, March 8
From 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Museum of Making Music
5790 Armada Drive, Carlsbad, 92008

For more information regarding...

Education Programs or Our Committee Meetings 760-434-2901 or email tonya.rodzach@carlsbadca.gov

Gallery Exhibition & Programs 760-602-2021

Other Programs & Events Offered by the Cultural Arts Office visit our website at www.carlsbadca.gov/arts

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It's not too early to start thinking about summer arts camps!

The Carlsbad Cultural Arts Office summer camps offers children ages seven to twelve a unique opportunity to explore their interests in visual arts, theatre and nature too.

Important registration information

Begin looking for our brochures with more information about our Creative Arts Camp program, as well as our Club Pelican camp at the end of March. Camp brochures may be found on our city's website, at both library locations, and at other city locations.

Registration for Carlsbad residents, and non-residents will take place in April. Watch for more details.

Visit www.carlsbadca.gov/arts for current information.